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FM AMEMBASSY TOKYO

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SUBJECT: REHANGING OF STEEL GATES AT TOB, FBO PROP 04308A

1. EMBASSY HAS EXPERIENCED NUMEROUS MAINTENANCE PROBLEMS WITH TOB STEEL GATES DURING LAST 6 MONTHS. OHBAYASHIGUMI HAS REPAIRED THEM EACH TIME BUT THEY SAY GATES WERE NOT DESIGNED TO BE OPENED AND CLOSED ON SUCH A FREQUENT BASIS (APPROX 100-130 TIMES/DAY).

2. ON JUNE 16 GROUP OF DEMONSTRATORS BACKED A TRUCK UP AGAINST THE MAIN ENTRANCE GATES AND ABOUT 15 PERSONS BEGAN TO PUSH ON THE GATE. HINGES AND THE GATE LOCK WERE SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BEFORE LOCAL POLICE BROKE UP DEMONSTRATORS. INCIDENT ILLUSTRATED VULNERABILITY AND WEAKNESS OF GATES. DEMONSTRATORS APPROACHED TOB AGAIN ON JUNE 17 BUT WERE STOPPED BY POLICE ONE BLOCK AWAY FROM TOB.

3. GATE HINGES ARE PRESENTLY WELDED TO ANGLE IRON WHICH IS EMBEDDED IN CONCRETE WALL WITH ANCHOR BOLTS. GATES REST ON STEEL CASTERS AND STEEL TRACKS WHICH ARE ATTACHED TO ASPHALT DRIVEWAY. FBO/PROJECT SUPERVISOR, GENERAL SERVICES OFFICER, AND OHBAYASHIGUMI BELIEVE BEST AND MOST ECONOMICAL SOLUTION CONSIDERING NEW OB CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE WOULD BE TO REHANG GATES TO STEEL POSTS AND REPLACE ENTRANCE PORTION ON ASPHALT DRIVEWAY WITH CONCRETE, PLACING NEW STEEL TRACKS AND POSTS IN CONCRETE. STEEL POSTS WOULD ALSO BE ATTACHED TO CONCRETE WALLS.

4. FOLLOWING IS OHBAYASHIGUMI COST ESTIMATE FOR ABOVE WORK:

(1) REHANG 4 SWING TYPE STEEL GATES INCLUDING
INSTALLATION OF 4 STEEL POSTS, 12 STAINLESS
STEEL HINGES AND 4 STEEL TRACKS. \$820.
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(2) REMOVAL OF EXISTING ASPHALT PAVEMENT NEAR
ENTRANCES AND REPLACING WITH CONCRETE. \$1,080.

(3) OVERHEAD \$228.

(4) PROFIT \$64.

TOTAL: \$2,192.

5. EMBASSY REQUESTS FUNDS IN ABOVE AMOUNT BE AUTHORIZED ASAP.
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